

FDSA and Michigan's role

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Overall plan

- FDA requests that states inspect and complete food security awareness training with at retail facilities serving tomato based pasta sauce products.

– Inspection is two fold, a focus on both:

- Food Safety
- Food Security incorporating and discussing the ALERT documents developed by the FDA.



Overall plan

- Complete traceback and traceforward surveys of identified food products during the inspection.
- Sampling of identified food products and raw ingredients of those food products after they have been identified in the traceback/traceforward survey.

Actions Taken

Week 1

- MDA completed the inspections, Alert discussions traceback traceforward surveys

Week 2

- No action

Weeks 3 and 4

- Aseptic Sampling of raw ingredients, Oregano and Basil at facilities identified in the traceback and traceforward surveys



Sampling of Oregano

Samples collected
aseptically

Initial discussion was take
the entire bag, but at
approx. \$1,800.⁰⁰/bag....



Lessons and Opportunities

- Increased communication with both Federal and Local partners as a result of exercise.
- Identified issues relating to the traceback - traceforward instruments (both good and bad)
 - More training on how to use them
 - Discussion with FDA on improvements to the instruments

Lessons and Opportunities

- Identified aseptic sampling as a training opportunity for MDA and LHD staff
 - Completed Summer of 2007, with training sessions across the state.
- Identified the need for Traceback – Traceforward training for MDA and LHD's.
 - Depending upon budget, possible for Summer of 2008

Results

- Identified issues that need to be addressed when LHD's are asked to complete recall effectiveness checks
 - Two successful recall effectiveness checks have been completed in 2007/2008 due to the issues identified in this exercise
- Increase communications with both LHD and FDA on items that need to be addressed in a recall or traceback process